

MECHAM, Leonidas Americus, a High Councilor in the Oneida Stake, Franklin county, Idaho, and a resident of Preston, Idaho, was born Oct. 19, 1854, in Salt Lake City, Utah, the son of Leonidas Clinton Mecham and Margaret Emma Champlin. He was baptized in June, 1864, by Samuel Gern; ordained an Elder when seventeen years old; ordained a Seventy July 20, 1884, by Wm. Woodward and ordained a High Priest and Bishop July 19, 1885, by Milo Andrus and set apart to preside over the Riverdale Ward Oneida county, Idaho. He served in this capacity until Nov. 15, 1908, when he was honorably released, having been set apart to act as a High Councilor, Sept. 6, 1908. In 1876 (May 1st) he married Eliza Smart, who bore her husband eight children, namely, Leonidas S., Joanna S., Maud S., Ollie S., Arnold S., Milando S., Avilda

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S. and Vera S. Bro. Mecham has labored as Ward clerk, secretary of the Riverdale Y. M. M. I. A., clerk of the Riverdale Sunday school, superintendent and member of the Preston village board (1909-1911), etc. He has acted as postmaster of Preston since August 1, 1914.

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Mechams to mark golden

Keith and Kaye Mecham will celebrate their golden wedding anniversary at a family gathering.

They were married Oct. 25, 1946. Their marriage was solemnized in the Provo LDS Temple.

Keith is an active member of the community. He has served several terms as mayor of Wallsburg and on the Wasatch County Planning Commission. He retired from Geneva Steel in 1983 after 37 years. He is a groundskeeper at the Wallsburg Cemetery.

Faye is a homemaker and enjoys quilting, crocheting and cooking.

They were recently honored as Wallsburg citizens of the year. They are active members of the LDS Church and are temple workers at the Mount Timpanogos Temple.

They have four children: Randy

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Kaye and Keith Mecham

Mecham, Orem; LaVerl Mecham, Wallsburg; Don Mecham, Clinton; and Tammy Tanner, Payson. They have 10 grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

McCham, Keith K. RFD Walsburg,
Faye
La Verl Otis, Tammy Lynn.
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Karl G. Mecham

Karl G. Mecham, 75, of Phoenix, Ariz., former resident of Monroe and Annabella, Utah died May 9, 1993 in Phoenix, Ariz.

He was born May 6, 1918 in Annabella, Utah to Samuel Byron and Priscilla Kay Mecham. He married Lavada Bell Johnson, and Ann. He has 10 Grandchildren and 4 Great Grandchildren.

Funeral services will be held on Saturday, May 15, 1993 at 1:00 p.m. in the Monroe 4th LDS Ward Chapel, 49 East 200 North, Monroe, Utah. Friends may call at the Neal S. Magleby & Sons Mortuary on Friday evening from 7 to 9 p.m. and at the ward chapel in Monroe on Saturday from 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Burial will be in the Annabella Cemetery with military rites by Monroe American Legion Post #37.

FAMILY GROUP RECORD

ENTER ALL DATA IN THIS ORDER:
DATES: 14 Apr 1794

NAMES: WATSON, John Henry
PLACES: Sharon, Wndar, Yrmn

To indicate that a child is an ancestor of the family representative, place an "X" behind the number pertaining to that child.

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Chr. _____ Place _____
Marr. _____ Place _____
Died _____ Place _____
Bur. _____ Place _____

HUSBAND'S FATHER _____
HUSBAND'S MOTHER _____
HUSBAND'S OTHER WIVES _____

Husband
Wife

Ward 1. _____
Examiners: 2. _____
Stake or _____
Mission _____

NAME & ADDRESS OF PERSON SUBMITTING RECORD _____

WIFE

Born _____ Place _____
Chr. _____ Place _____
Died _____ Place _____
Bur. _____ Place _____

WIFE'S FATHER _____
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WIFE'S OTHER HUSBANDS _____

FAMILY REPRESENTATIVE _____
RELATION OF F.R. TO HUSBAND _____
RELATION OF F.R. TO WIFE _____

TEMPLE ORDINANCE DATA

BAPTIZED (DATE)	ENDOWED (DATE)	SEALED (Date & Temple) WIFE TO HUSBAND
HUSBAND		
WIFE		SEALED (Date & Temple) CHILDREN TO PARENTS

SEX M F	CHILDREN List Each Child (Whether Living or Dead) in Order of Birth SURNAME (CAPITALIZED) GIVEN NAMES	WHEN BORN			WHERE BORN			DATE OF FIRST MARRIAGE TO WHOM	WHEN DIED		
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SOURCES OF INFORMATION

OTHER MARRIAGES

NECESSARY EXPLANATIONS

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ANNOUNCE ENGAGEMENT



Miss Diana Neilsen

Announcement is made of the engagement of Miss Diana Neilsen to Leonard Tom Mecham, by her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Chester Henderson of Neola, Utah.

The future bridegroom who is the son of Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Dunbar of Denver, Colorado, graduated from the Wasatch High School, and College of Southern Utah at Cedar City. He is presently employed in Salt Lake City.

Miss Neilsen is a 1963 graduate of Uintah High School at Vernal. She is now attending LDS Business College in Salt Lake City.

The couple is planning an early spring wedding.